IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE C.N.RAMACHANDRAN NAIR

THURSDAY, THE 1ST MARCH 2007 / 10TH PHALGUNA 1928

WP(C).No. 25810 of 2003(V)

PETITIONER:

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1. M.S.SESHADRY, S/O.SUBRAMANIA IYER,
   STAMP VENDOR, KOTTAYI, ALATHUR,
   PALAKKAD.

2. C.PRABHAKARAN, S/O.LATE CHAMI,
   STAMP VENDOR, CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE'S
   COURT, PALAKKAD.

3. N.S.SADASIVAN, S/O.N.V.GANAPATHY IYER,
   SUB COURT, PALAKKAD.

4. M.SANKARAN, S/O.MUKUNDAN, STAMP
   VENDOR, SUB REGISTRY OFFICE, PALAKKAD.

5. A.DILIPKUMAR, S/O.LATE
   N.KESAVANKUTTY NAIR,
   STAMP VENDOR, KONGAD,
   PALAKKAD.

BY ADV. SRI.N.N.SUGUNAPALAN

RESPONDENTS:

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1. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR, PALAKKAD.

2. THE DISTRICT REGISTRAR (GENERAL),
   PALAKKAD.

3. THE DISTRICT TREASURY OFFICER,
   PALAKKAD.

4. THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
   TAXES (E) DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF KERALA,
   SECRETARIAT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

5. STATE OF KERALA,
   REPRESENTED BY CHIEF SECRETARY
   TO GOVERNMENT, SECRETARIAT,
   THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

BY GOVERNMENT PLEADER SMT. SMITHA
SRI.S.SUJIN

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING BEEN FINALLY HEARD ON 01/03/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

APPENDIX

PETITIONER'S EXHIBITS:

EXT.P1 TRUE COPY OF THE APPOINTMENT ORDER DATED 15.6.1989 OF THE FIRST PETITIONER AS STAMP VENDOR

EXT.P2 TRUE COPY OF THE APPOINTMENT ORDER DATED 25.11.1988 OF THE 2ND PETITIONER.

EXT.P3 TRUE COPY OF APPOINTMENT ORDER DATED 31.1.1969 ISSUED TO THE THIRD PETITIONER.

EXT.P4 TRUE COPY OF APPOINTMENT ORDER DATED 27.3.1975 ISSUED TO THE 4TH PETITIONER.

EXT.P5 TRUE COPY OF THE APPOINTMENT ORDER DATED 23.6.1995 ISSUED TO THE 5TH PETITIONER.

EXT.P6 TRUE COPY OF THE GOVERNMENT ORDER NO. G.O.(MS) NO.98/2000 DATED 21.6.2000

EXT.P7 TRUE COPY OF THE GOVERNMENT ORDER G.O.(P) NO. 23/2003-TD DATED 7.2.2003

RESPONDENTS' EXHIBITS: NIL

TRUE COPY

P.S. TO JUDGE.

C.N.RAMACHANDRAN NAIR,J.

W.P.C. NO. 25810 OF 2003

Dated this the 1st day of March, 2007

JUDGMENT

After the filing of the W.P. challenging the restrictions imposed on age and qualification to continue as stamp vendors, Government has extended the period for requirement of qualifications which keeps the petitioners going and for continuing their business. Even as of now, there are Govt. orders in favour of the petitioners allowing them to continue as stamp vendors. In the circumstances, there is no point in keeping the W.P. pending. W.P. is accordingly closed leaving freedom to the petitioners to approach this Court again if there is any grievance in future.

(C.N.RAMACHANDRAN NAIR)
Judge